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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR STATUS REPORT ON EXPORT LICENSE FOR RIOT
CONTROL MATERIAL PURCHASED BY GOE

1. DR. JORGE MACHADO, COORDINATOR OF THE MINISTRY OF GOVERNMENT CALLED ON CHARGE MARCH 28 TO SEEK EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN ASCERTAINING STATUS OF GOE CONTRACT TO PURCHASE TEAR GAS GRENADES AND LAUNCHERS. HE LEFT A COPY OF A CONTRACT SIGNED FEBRUARY 2 BETWEEN THE ECUADOREAN MILATT IN WASHINGTON AND THE U.S. FIRM "JONAS AIRCRAFT AND ARMS CO., INC." OF NEW YORK. THE CONTRACT CALLS FOR DELIVERY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS TO THE ECUADOREAN NATIONAL POLICE: 3000 "FEDERAL SPEEDHEAT" CS GAS HAND GRENADES; 2000 "FEDERAL SPEEDHEAT" CS GAS GRENADES FOR LAUNCHER WITH A RANGE OF 150 YARDS; 6135 "FEDERAL SPEEDHEAT" CS GAS GRENADES FOR LAUNCHER WITH A RANGE OF 70 YARDS; AND 1000 "FEDERAL" 38MM GRENADE LAUNCHERS.

2. MACHADO EMPHASIZED THAT REQUEST FOR INFORMATION WAS URGENT IN LIGHT OF PLANS BY UNDERSECRETARY OF MINGOV, JAVIER MANRIQUE, TO TRAVEL TO WASHINGTON O/A MARCH 30 TO CONSUMMATE ANOTHER CONTRACT FOR NON-WEAPON POLICE ITEMS. MANRIQUE WILL BE ACCCOMPANIED BY THE MILITARY AIDE TO THE MINGOV, A MAJOR GRANJA, WHO WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO DISCUSS THE GAS GRENADE

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PURCHASE WITH DEPTOFFS, IF WE SO DESIRED.

3. CHARGE TOLD MACHADO THAT WE WERE UNAWARE OF THE STATUS OF THE GRENADE AND LAUNCHER PURCHASE, BUT NOTED THAT THE CLEARANCE PROCESS FOR GRANTING AN EXPORT LICENSE CAN BE TIME-CONSUMING. HE ALSO SUGGESTED THAT MAJOR GRANJA COORDINATE ANY ACTIONS WITH REGARD TO THIS CASE WITH THE ECUADOREAN MILATT IN WASHING-

TON. CHARGE PROMISED TO REQUEST A STATUS REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT ASAP SO THAT MANRIQUE AND GRANJA ARE INFORMED, IF POSSIBLE, PRIOR TO THEIR DEPARTURE FOR WASHINGTON. MACHADO PLANS TO RETURN TO EMBASSY AT 1700 MARCH 29 FOR OUR RESPONSE.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: REQUEST BY NOON MARCH 29 A STATUS REPORT ON REQUEST FOR EXPORT LICENSE FOR CS GRENADES AND LAUNCHERS LISTED ABOVE. IN ADDITION, REQUEST DEPARTMENT COORDINATE WITH ECUADOREAN MILATT SO THAT GRANJA CAN BE BRIEFED BY HIM RATHER THAN DEPTOFFS RE THIS CASE.

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